

## Weather Forecast

Mostly sunny with highest about 48 today. Cloudy tonight with lowest around 32. Tomorrow, cloudy and mild; occasional rain in afternoon. (Full report on Page A-2.)

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## 12 Airmen Rescued From Icecap By Jet-Assisted C-47 Using Skis; Carrier Is Still 1,000 Miles Away

### Men Being Flown To U. S. Air Base In Greenland

Twelve airmen who have been stranded on an icecap in Greenland were rescued today by a plane from an Air Force base in Greenland. Air Force headquarters announced.

They were picked up by a C-47 transport equipped with skis and jet-assisted takeoff devices and flown from the scene where seven of the men had been trapped since December 9.

The rescue plane, piloted by Lt. Col. Emil Beaudry of Westover (Mass.) Air Force Base, was scheduled to land early this afternoon at Blue West-8, an air base in Greenland, 270 miles northwest of the 7,500-foot icecap.

The rescue, first reported in an intercepted radio message from a pilot-to-ground installation at Goose Bay, Labrador, came as the carrier, Saipan, labored northward through stormy seas in an effort to reach the men with helicopters.

Carrier 1,000 Miles Away. The huge carrier left Norfolk, Va., on Christmas Day and took a terrific pounding from winds that often hit a 100-mile velocity during the last two days. The ship today was still almost 1,000 miles from its planned rescue launching point.

The Air Force said it had been in error in saying that 13 men were trapped on the icecap. The Air Force fixed the number at 12 in announcing the rescue, and planned there had been uncertainty whether one or two men occupied a glider that made the last previous rescue attempt. Only one man was aboard.

The rescuing C-47 landed on the crushed snow at 9:30 a.m., lashed the men aboard, and took off at 10:08 a.m.

Previous rescue efforts have been conducted from Blue West-1, an Air Force base about 110 miles from the icecap.

Supplies Dropped Regularly. Following the crash of the C-47 plane that marooned seven men on December 9, a B-17 was grounded nearby in a rescue attempt December 13 and two more men joined the stranded group. Another two were added December 17 when a glider was damaged in the rescue try. The 12th man found himself in a similar situation December 22.

Supplies were dropped regularly to the men and radio contact was maintained during most of the time. Air Force officials said that if the men are in good condition they may remain at Blue West-8 until they can be returned to Blue West-1. All of the men were stationed at the latter base and five of them have their families there.

Col. Beaudry, pilot of the rescue plane, is a World War II veteran. He was a pilot in the European theater. A native of Manchester, N. H., he attended Boston University and entered the Air Force in 1941.

Rescue Plans Co-ordinated. The rescue message was received shortly after an Air Force announcement that Col. Berni Baichen, the Air Force's foremost Arctic expert, arrived safely in Greenland early today. He had flown 3,800 miles from Alaska to join the rescue operation at Blue Base-1. When he was overdue, there was speculation that bad weather had forced him down in Labrador.

Meanwhile, the Navy and Air Force had co-ordinated plans for rescue operations. Both teams of rescuers were preparing to exploit the first break in foul weather and winds. While better weather was in prospect for the Saipan, the carrier was not believed likely to reach the Greenland area before Thursday.

There was no immediate announcement from Navy headquarters. (See RESCUE, Page A-4.)

### Rescued Men

Here are the names of the 12 airmen who were rescued from the Greenland ice cap today.

Lt. James B. Prevost, Knoxville, Tenn.; Lt. Robert J. McDonald, Bridgeport, W. Va.; Capt. Edwin W. Thompson, Milford, Conn.; Sgt. Francis J. Summers, Manayunk, Pa.; Sgt. Francis J. Duffy, Windsor, Conn.; W. Officer Puffy L. Holcomb, Gainesville, Ga.; and Capt. Walter P. Spear, Okla. (These men were aboard the C-47 that crashed on the ice cap December 9.)

Lt. Charles L. Ferguson, Sturgeon Bay, Wis., and T. Sgt. Louis A. Lane, Willow, N. Y., were crew of a B-17 that crashed in a rescue attempt December 13.

First Lt. Alfred H. Hedvall, Seattle, Wash., and 1st Lt. James C. Buerke (CQ), Tampa, Fla., who were aboard a rescue glider that was dropped December 17 in an unsuccessful rescue attempt.

First Lt. Howard L. Halstead, Greenville, S. C., who was on a second glider dropped December 22.

Wholesale Meat Off 19%, Retail 13% in 3½ Months

By the Associated Press

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—The American Meat Institute says the general wholesale price of all meat in the Nation has dropped about 19 percent since the mid-September peak.

The institute said the retail price of meat declined 13 percent since the mid-September peak.

The institute said the wholesale price report was based on compilations by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Included were all grades and all weights of beef, lamb, pork and veal.

## Egypt's Premier Assassinated by Moslem Student

### Nokrashy Pasha Shot By Youth Disguised As Policeman

By the Associated Press

CAIRO, Dec. 28.—Prime Minister Mahmoud Fahmy Nokrashy Pasha was assassinated today by a student. The shooting occurred in the Ministry of Interior.

The killer, who fired five fatal shots and tried in vain to end his own life, was declared to belong to the outlawed Moslem Brotherhood Association, which has accused the 60-year-old premier of weakness in the war against the Jews in Palestine. The killer wore a police uniform he said he "bought in an old clothes market."

Nokrashy Pasha died within five minutes. He uttered no last word. King Farouk, government ministers and diplomats immediately paid respects to the man who had headed Egypt's government most of the time since the war ended.

The assassin's name was withheld. He was placed under arrest at once.

Troops Locked in Battle. The killing came at a critical time when Egyptian troops were locked in a six-day battle in Southern Palestine. Egypt has accused Israel of flaunting United Nations cease-fire orders in forcing the battle near the Egyptian border.

A policeman who belonged to Nokrashy Pasha's bodyguard gave this account of the assassination: The killer went to the Interior Ministry a few minutes before the Prime Minister arrived. One policeman tried to evict him but another vouched for the student, who was allowed to remain. When Nokrashy Pasha arrived, the assassin saluted with one hand and fired with the other. The bodyguard and other police threw the killer to the floor.

The guess about Nokrashy Pasha's successor veered between former Premier Mustapha Nahas Pasha, the aged Independent, Sidky Pasha, Nokrashy Pasha himself, was the target of a would-be assassin in November. He was uninjured by a grenade thrown at his home.

Headed Saadist Party. The Premier headed the Saadist Party, which he helped form after being expelled in 1937, from the Nationalist Ward Party. Ahmed Maher Pasha, who was leader of the Saadist Party before Nokrashy Pasha, was assassinated in 1943.

Ministers of the government issued a statement saying: "The prime minister was assassinated by a criminal hand at a time when the country was in the greatest need of his sincere patriotism, his unique courage, wide experience and complete honesty."

Stanton Griffis, American Ambassador appointed to direct U. N. relief for Palestine refugees, expressed his regret. Delbert E. Repligle of Philadelphia, the Quaker appointed to direct distribution of refugee relief in Southern Palestine, said he had "a very warm spot in my heart" for the slain premier.

Violence Claimed to Group. In outlawing the Moslem Brotherhood, the Prime Minister charged the group with responsibility for violence which caused several deaths. The order followed a series of explosions in Cairo business establishments.

Last year Nokrashy Pasha went to the United Nations session in New York to plead Egypt's case for evacuation of British troops from the Suez Canal Zone.

He sent Egyptian troops into Palestine when the British mandate over the Holy Land ended to combat what he called aggression by "terrorist Zionist gangs."

Nokrashy Pasha was educated at the Sorbonne in Paris.

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(See PALESTINE, Page A-5.)

Mrs. Ybarbo Given 20 Years For Killing Soldier-Husband

Court Rejects Plea That She Shot in Self-Defense

By the Associated Press

MARBURG, Germany, Dec. 28.—Mrs. Wilma Ybarbo of Malden, Mass., today was sentenced to 20 years in prison for killing her American soldier-husband in a bedroom quarrel.

The American Military Government court of three American judges convicted Mrs. Ybarbo of killing Sgt. John Ybarbo of Goild, Tex., "with malice aforethought."

The 23-year-old defendant hardly changed the expression on her pale face as she heard the verdict.

The court rejected her plea that she shot her husband in self-defense. The judges also rejected the possibility that she was so overcome by passion that she was beyond self-control when she pumped three pistol bullets into her husband after a quarrel.

Mrs. Ybarbo's attorney said he would appeal the verdict to the

Military Government Court of Appeals in Nuremberg, and then to an American Federal Court if necessary.

The court's lengthy opinion did not specify the degree of the crime.

(See YBARBO, Page A-3.)



PRIME MINISTER NOKRASHY PASHA. —AP Wirephoto.

## Britain Calls on U. N. To Order Negeb Truce And Jews' Withdrawal

### Council Debates Egypt's Charge That Israel Had Violated Armistice

By the Associated Press

PARIS, Dec. 28.—Britain called today in the United Nations for an immediate cease-fire in Southern Palestine and withdrawal of Israeli forces in the Negeb.

British Delegate Harold Bealey submitted a resolution proposing the cease-fire and Israeli withdrawal as the Security Council debated Egypt's charge that Israel had violated the truce with attacks December 22 against Egyptian coastal positions in Southern Palestine.

The resolution omitted any direct condemnation of Israel. This omission apparently was intended to attract American support.

The original British text, which the American delegation referred to Washington last night for decision, proposed that Israel be declared the aggressor. American sources reported this morning that Britain probably would modify her proposal to meet possible American objections.

Meeting January 6 Asked. Mr. Bealey urged that the Security Council's truce supervision committee be instructed to meet January 6 at Lake Success to report on compliance with the cease-fire and withdrawal orders.

These proposals would be based on the Security Council's truce orders of November 4, which Mr. Bealey said must be enforced. Under that resolution Israeli forces were to withdraw to positions occupied before their October 14 advance and Acting Mediator Ralph J. Bunche was authorized to fix a no-man's land to prevent direct contact between Egyptian and Israeli troops.

"This would be the first step," Mr. Bealey said, "in restoring the authority of the Security Council and of the United Nations itself in Palestine."

Britain was willing in the past to apply sanctions under the U. N. Charter against aggressors in Palestine and can be again in the future, Mr. Bealey said.

M. Fawzi Bey, Egyptian delegate, charged Israeli actions in the Negeb displayed a "premeditated, most systematic and carefully synchronized" defiance of the Council.

Bunche Report Assailed. Before the Council recessed until afternoon, the British called on the three nations named to the U. N. Assembly conciliation commission—the United States, France and Turkey—to designate representatives to direct distribution of refugee relief in Southern Palestine.

Maurice Fischer, representative of Israel here, assailed the Bunche report on the renewal of the fighting in Palestine. The report quoted United Nations observers on the Egyptian side as telling of Israeli attacks on Egyptian forces. U. N. (See PALESTINE, Page A-5.)

## Allies Establish Strict Control of Ruhr Production

### 6-Power Pact Sets Up Precautions Against Producing for War

By the Associated Press

LONDON, Dec. 28.—The Western powers set up today a strict international control system to bar Germany's industrial Ruhr Valley from war production.

The Ruhr was ordered to produce solely for peace.

The decision was announced in a formal communiqué as the climax of a six-week conference here attended by representatives of the United States, Britain, France, the Netherlands, Belgium and Luxembourg.

Russia was not admitted as a partner in the international control board, to be known as the "Ruhr Authority."

An American spokesman told a news conference at the embassy that the agreement probably would go into operation in two or three months. He said a military security board provided for in the agreement also will begin functioning within that time. The spokesman said the Americans regard the pact as an executive agreement which will not need congressional approval, as a formal treaty would.

Place Left for Germany. The agreement offered Germany a place on the board as soon as it develops a legal government. The Germans will have three votes—the same as the United States, Britain and France—more than each of the Benelux countries which it overran in World War II.

It set up an international system of inspection—the framework of an industrial police—to keep the Ruhr from becoming once again a war-making industrial machine as it did under Hitler and Kaiser Wilhelm.

It left unsettled the dynamic question of ultimate ownership of the Ruhr's industries—a plan concession to France.

The French want international ownership. Britain prefers German public ownership. The United States favors private enterprise.

The agreement was for an indefinite term, leaving open the possibility that the Ruhr might forever continue under international supervision.

Concession to French. This, too, was a concession to the French—often the victim of German aggression—who argued with success that Germany's industrial might was developed in the coal, coke and steel production of the Ruhr's concentrated industries.

The communiqué said the meeting was "held in a friendly atmosphere throughout," and that it "carefully examined all aspects of the problems involved."

The communiqué announced the conference "threefold objective": 1. "To assure the disarmament and demilitarization of Germany."

2. "To further the recovery of the countries of Europe, including a democratic Germany."

3. "To promote that intimate association of their economic life."

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## 10 Catholic Leaders Seized With Cardinal

By the Associated Press

BUDAPEST, Dec. 28.—Ten top personalities of the Roman Catholic Church in Hungary have been arrested with the prime minister, Cardinal Mindszenty, the Interior Ministry announced today.

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(Such announcements of arrested confessions by arrested persons are routine in Communist-controlled countries as a preliminary to trial or conviction.)

The personalities arrested with the cardinal include his secretary, Andras Zakar; Gusztav Baranai, a university professor, Duke Paul Esterhazy, and a bank director.

All are suspected of crimes including treason, spying, "undemocratic (anti-Communist) activity" and black market currency dealings, the announcement said.

It added that Cardinal Mindszenty, "whose reactionary and undemocratic position is well known, directed the royalist organization which aims to restore the Hapsburgs, and committed espionage."

Princess Margaret Plans U. S. Trip, Paper Reports

By the Associated Press

LONDON, Dec. 28.—The London Star reported today that Princess Margaret may take a "personal holiday" in the United States next year.

Buckingham Palace officials denied knowledge of any such plan. The Star said, "It is known that she would like to visit the United States and many of her American friends in London, including Miss Sharman Douglas, the Ambassador's daughter, would like to entertain her there."



## Dr. Magnuson to Leave VA Post Unless His Objections Are Met

### Location of Hospitals Where Medical Staffs Are Ample Is Asked

By Francis P. Douglas

Dr. Paul B. Magnuson is expected to resign as medical director of the Veterans' Administration if certain conditions to which he has objected are not corrected within a reasonable length of time, it was learned authoritatively today.

Dr. Magnuson's objections are said to have been chiefly in regard to the location of Veterans' Administration Hospitals. It was said that when Gen. Bradley, now chief of staff, was Veterans' Administrator, there was adequate backing of the medical staff in its insistence that

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## Council Sets 24-Hour Deadline for Release Of Indonesian Chiefs

### Dutch Declared Lacking Reason for Detaining Soekarno and Aides

By the Associated Press

PARIS, Dec. 28.—The United Nations Security Council ordered the Netherlands today to release captured leaders of the Indonesian Republic within 24 hours.

The Council acted on a resolution of China's delegate, Dr. Hsia Chingling, who said there was no reason for the Dutch to delay even for a day the release of Dr. Soekarno, president of the Republic, and members of his cabinet. The leaders were taken when the Dutch seized Jogjakarta in their newest "police action" in Java and Sumatra.

The delegates turned to a Colombian proposal for their provisional refusal to obey the Council order to halt fighting in Indonesia.

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## Milder Weather Forecast With Rain Tomorrow

Milder temperatures and cloudy skies were predicted for today and tomorrow by the weather forecaster following yesterday's record cold snap.

From a low of 20 degrees recorded at 7 a.m. the mercury was expected to climb to about 48 this afternoon. The low tonight will be about 32. The Weather Bureau said. Occasional rain is expected in the Washington area tomorrow.

The lowest official temperature readings of the winter were recorded yesterday morning at the National Airport where it was 14 degrees at 5:02 a.m. Lower temperatures, however, were recorded in many suburban areas.

## Truman Refuses To Name Reds Seeking Accord

### White House Advisers Awaiting Reaction From Russians

VOICE OF AMERICA Broadcasts Truman's Speech to Russians. Page A-2.

By Joseph A. Fox

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 28.—President Truman today refused to amplify his statement of yesterday that "certain leaders" in Russia were "exceedingly anxious" to reach an understanding with this Government.

One of the newsmen accompanying the President on his customary walk in nearby Independence this morning observed that there was considerable speculation on the identity of the individuals to whom the President referred.

"You will just have to continue to speculate," Mr. Truman said.

After the President's statement yesterday, which was made in a talk at a luncheon in honor of his old business partner, Eddie Jacobson, Press Secretary Charles G. Ross said that Mr. Truman would not name the Russian leaders he meant.

Referred to Stalin in Campaign. In the course of his campaign, the President spoke of his liking for "Old Joe" (Stalin) and blamed that chief of state for seeming intransigence on the Politburo. In his talk yesterday, in which he attacked the Russian attitude on various world issues, the President made no reference to that earlier declaration.

Mr. Truman appeared as a surprise guest while Mr. Jacobson was being feted for his leadership in Zionist activities, particularly for raising \$3,000 to equip two recreation rooms in the Israeli Military Hospital in Tel Aviv.

After praising his former partner of 20 years, Mr. Truman warned to the foreign press, serving notice of a new kind of straight-from-the-shoulder diplomatic dealing almost sure to stir the Kremlin propaganda machine.

First he said he was familiar with the problems of Israel and all the Near East, and all countries where there was no reason why Christians, Jews and Arabs can't reach an agreement, since Christianity and all other religions are based on the Moslem law founded on justice and fair dealing.

Morals That Are Not Moral. "The only thing that bothers me is that our great Ally to the north has a system of morals that are not morals," he said. "Contracts are not sacred to the Soviet government. I made certain specific agreements at Potsdam, none of which have been kept. Certain agreements were made at Yalta, none of which have been kept."

"I am exceedingly sorry for that because the Russian people are a great people. I am sure that if the Russian people had a voice in the government of Russia there would be no trouble."

Will Work for Peace. In connection with his remarks on Palestine, the President named other Eastern countries where trouble has been caused.

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## Charter Plane Missing With 28 Off Miami

By the Associated Press

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 28.—A charter airplane carrying 28 passengers on a flight from San Juan, Puerto Rico, to Miami, a great aerial search was under way. The plane, a twin-engine DC-3, carried a crew of three and 25 passengers. It was more than six hours overdue at 1:30 a.m. Its fuel supply would have been exhausted about 5:45 a.m.

The Coast Guard air-sea rescue service said the last contact with the plane was made by Overseas Radio at New Orleans at 4:13 a.m.

The plane at that time gave its position in charge of the Civil Aeronautics Authority, read the position report back to the plane and asked for confirmation. No answer was received. Continuous calling by radio brought no further response.

Leaving San Juan at 10:03 p.m. yesterday, the plane was due in Miami about 4:30 a.m.

Twenty searching aircraft of the Air Force, Navy and Coast Guard spread out over the Atlantic in an effort to find the missing airliner. The search planes covered 50 miles on each side of the Miami-San Juan airway and the entire Bahamas Island group.

Truman Names Keenan To Palestine Commission

By the Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 28.—President Truman today announced the appointment of Joseph B. Keenan as United States representative on the United Nations Conciliation Commission for Palestine.

The 60-year-old Mr. Keenan formerly served as United States chief of counsel for the prosecution in the trials of the Japanese war criminals at Tokyo.

He is a former Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Criminal Division of the Justice Department.

Mr. Keenan's appointment was made public at a news conference by Charles G. Ross, presidential press secretary. He said Mr. Keenan was being given a recess appointment for the \$12,000-a-year post.

The other members of the commission have been named by France and Turkey. Mr. Keenan's appointment has been under consideration for some time.

## McKellar Admits He Struck Silliman Evans at Hotel Here

### Nashville Publisher Declares He Did Not Return Blow

By the Associated Press

An altercation between Senator McKellar, Democrat, of Tennessee and Silliman Evans, publisher of the Nashville Tennessean, in a corridor of the Mayflower Hotel here has just come to light.

Senator McKellar, in response to a reporter's question, said he struck Mr. Evans in the face during a chance meeting on the sixth floor of the hotel. He said the incident occurred on a Sunday night about two weeks ago.

Mr. Evans said, "I simply folded my hands behind my back and did not return the blow as I had no

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SENATOR MCKELLAR. —Harris-Ewing Photo.